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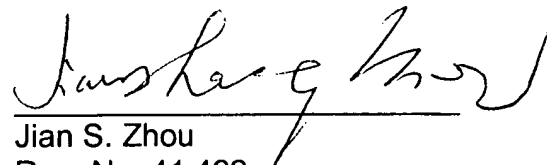
Dear Sir:

The Office Action dated June 10, 2002 from Examiner Kimberly Nguyen of Art Unit 1774 has been received and reviewed. In response to the Examiner's requirement for restriction to one of the two groups: Group I (Claims 1 – 16) and Group II (Claims 17 – 21). Applicant hereby elects Group I (Claims 1 – 16) without traverse for examination in this application.

Should the Examiner believe that a discussion with Applicants' representative would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned.

Please address all correspondence to Thomas Hoxie, Novartis Corporation, Patent & Trademark Department, 564 Morris Ave., Summit, NJ 0790-1027. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees which may be required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0134.

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